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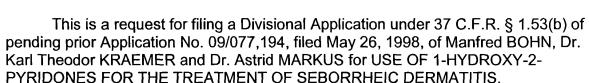
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Prior Application Art Unit: 1614 Prior Application Examiner: V. Kim

Sir:



- 1. Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application including the oath or Declaration and drawings, if any, as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior Application No. 09/077,194 as originally filed on May 26, 1998, which is incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 3. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 2 above.

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$750	\$	\$750.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims			
Total Claims	12	-	20	0	x \$18		0
Independent Claims	4	-	3	1	x \$84		84.00
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Subtotal						\$	834.00
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- 4. A check in the amount of \$834.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
- 6. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line, the following new paragraph:

This is a division of Application No. 09/077,194, filed May 26, 1998, which is a § 371 of PCT Application No. PCT/EP97/05070, filed September 16, 1997, which claims benefit of priority of German Patent Application No. DE 196 39 818.5, filed September 27, 1996, all of which are incorporated herein by reference.

- 7. The prior application was first assigned of record to Hoechst Aktiengesellschaft, D-65926 Frankfurt am Main, Germany by assignment recorded on December 4, 1998, at Reel 9621, Frame 0351; the prior application was then assigned of record to Aventis Pharma Deutschland GmbH, Industriepark Hoechst, Gebaude K 801, 65926 Frankfurt Am Main, Germany, by assignments on recorded August 18, 2000 at Reel 011019, Frame 0234, and on March 26, 2002 at Reel 012722, Frame 0954.
- 8. Priority of German Patent Application No. DE 196 39 818.5, filed September 27, 1996, in Germany is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy is on file in the prior application.
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<u>PETITION FOR EXTENSION</u>. If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in parent Application No. 09/077,194, filed May 26, 1998, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for use in charging the deposit account.

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